

Appl. No. 10/626,892

Response to Office Action mailed Jun. 15, 2006

Atty Dkt. No. 114951-011

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

SEP 12 2006

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title on page 1 of the specification as follows.

FOAM BUN MOLD SHIM MOLDS HAVING A VENEERED PEDESTAL FOR FORMING A FOAM OBJECT

Please amend the paragraph at page 2 of the specification in the Field of the Invention section as follows.

The invention is in the area of fasteners which are molded into foam seat cushions or other objects. ~~The main~~ In an embodiment is a veneer, also referred to as a mold shim or insert ~~which insert,~~ is placed between the surface of a forming mold or mold magnet and the fastener strip that is to be in-molded. The ~~mold shim~~ veneer compensates for the variability of the mold surface and provides a more even surface for the fastener strip to seal against – thereby preventing fouling of the strip's fastening elements during the molding process. Alternative embodiments of the invention are not used with a fastener strip, but instead have engaging members on their non-mold-proximate surface for engaging clips or wires which are thereby embedded into the foam object during the molding process.

Please amend the paragraph at page 5 of the specification in the Summary section as follows.

~~The In an embodiment, the invention is~~ has a veneer, also referred to as a mold shim or insert which is insert, placed between the surface of a forming mold or mold magnet and a fastener strip that is to be molded into an object. The ~~mold shim~~ veneer compensates for the variability of the mold surface and provides a more even surface for the foam bun fastener strip to seal against – thereby preventing fouling of the strip's fastening elements during the molding process. Alternative embodiments of the invention are not used with a fastener strip, but instead have engaging members on their non-mold-proximate surface for engaging clips or wires which are thereby embedded into the foam object during the molding process.

Please amend line 6 on page 9 of the specification as follows.

10. Veneer (mold shim) Mold Shim

Appl. No. 10/626,892
Response to Office Action mailed Jun. 15, 2006

Atty Dkt. No. 114951-011

Please amend lines 1-8 on page 10 of the specification as follows.

As shown in Figure 1, the main embodiment of the invention comprises a substantially flat veneer or mold shim 10, formed from non-magnetically attractable material. Mold shim 10 has a rectangular, strip-like shape corresponding to the shape of a fastener strip 11 like that shown in Figure 2. Mold shim 10 has a positioning post 12 located at an end thereof, to facilitate positioning and alignment of fastener strip 11 on mold shim 10. Positioning post 12 extends upward from the edge of mold shim 10, and has a squared-off or flat surface facing the area where fastener strip 11 will lie.